

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS18726

The purpose of this legislation is to establish a framework for licensure of midwives in the state of Idaho. The mandatory licensure provisions of this bill are intended to enhance maternity care options for Idaho's families and to help ensure that those who provide midwifery care not only have the training necessary to do so, but also have the access to the medications that are necessary to safely provide this service. The legislation establishes provisions for what midwives are allowed to do, what they may not do, when they shall advise their clients to seek other medical advice and when to transport a client.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to the general fund. Licensure fees shall be paid to the Bureau of Occupational Licenses.

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